Miller Real Estate Company Petitioner

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FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Petitioner herein requests a special hearing to approve the operation of an outdoor commercial flea market in a commercial zone on Saturdays and Sundays from 6:00 AM to 4:00 PM and as an accessory use to an existing adjacent indoor retail business, and a determination as to whether the type of use that is being conducted would be permitted inside the building leased by the Petitioner, as more particularly described on Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

The Petitioner, Miller Real Estate Company, was represented by Kenneth F. Spence, III, Esquire and Benjamin Bronstein, Esquire. Numerous individuals appeared and testified as Protestants in the matter and were represented by Howard L. Alderman, Jr., Esquire, and S. Eric DiNenna,

At the onset of this hearing, various motions to dismiss were raised by Mr. Alderman and Mr. DiNenna. Any and all motions to dismiss raised by Mr. DiNenna and Mr. Alderman are hereby denied.

The first issue to be decided is whether or not the operation of an outdoor commercial flea market is a permitted use in a commercial (B.M.) zone

Testimony indicated that the subject property, known as 2401 North Point Boulevard, consists of a gross area of 10.2966 acres zoned B.M. and is improved with a retail shopping center. Joseph Miller testified on behalf of the Petitioner. Mr. Miller testified that over the past 4 and 1/2 years, he has been a tenant at this particular location and leases the area of the retail shopping center shaded in blue dots on Petitioner's Exhibit 1. Mr. Miller stated that on Saturdays and Sundays, he sets up an additional 120 tables outside on the parking lot adjacent to the indoor retail space that he leases and allows outside vendors to sell their goods and wares to members of the general public. He then marked Petitioner's Exhibit 1 with red cross marks to indicate that area upon which these 120 tables are located. This area marked in red by Mr. Miller is used as what one might commonly refer to as a flea market. Testimony indicated that the Petitioner shares parking with adjacent retail establishments and the North Point Plaza Movie Theater. The parking arrangements for this shopping center are more particularly described in a Cross-Easement Parking Agreement entered into by all parties, a copy of which was accepted into evidence as Petitioner's Exhibit 2. Testimony indicated that the flea market operates from 6:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Saturdays and from 6:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Sundays. Upon receipt of a zoning violation notice, Mr. Miller filed the instant Petition for a determination as to whether or not the outdoor operation of such a commercial flea market is

Appearing and testifying in opposition to the relief requested was Martin Resnick, President of Martin's, Inc. Mr. Resnick testified that he has operated a catering facility in the subject shopping center since 1966. He testified that the busiest days for his establishment, known as Martin's North Point, are Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays and that the operation of the subject flea market has a tremendous adverse impact

permitted in the B.M. zone.

on his business. Mr. Resnick testified that many of the patrons who attend

Michael Rogers, manager of the shopping center, was called to testify by Mr. DiNenna. Mr. Rogers testified that he visits the subject shopping center every two weeks and has observed the flea market in operation. He testified that the flea market has had a tremendous impact on parking and has caused increased vandalism to the shopping center and caused additional cleaning costs. Mr. Rogers testified that the flea market sets up and operates from an area that is designated for parking thereby causing parking problems elsewhere on the shopping center lot. He further testified that he has received many complaints from the Fire Department and from neighbors in the surrounding community.

The last witness to appear in opposition to the relief requested was Sue Potyraj, a resident of the adjoining community. Ms. Potyraj testified as to the adverse effects the subject flea market is having on the surrounding community. She testified that since 1990, the flea market has

functions at his facility cannot find adequate parking on the parking lot. He testified that prospective customers visit his facility on weekends to observe how his company might handle their own similar functions. He indicated that flea market operations have interfered with future business in that when people come to view a particular function, they become turned off by the overall operation of the flea market and the way it interferes with his catering facility. He stated that many of the patrons of the flea market cause their vehicles to block fire exits from his building and other buildings in the shopping center. He further stated that he had to hire his own security people to rope off parking for his customers thereby incurring additional expenses as a result of the operation of the flea

Manual does. On Page 4-1.3 of the Zoning Commissioner's Policy Manual, the following definition is provided under "-Flea Markets & Sidewalk Sales":

"-Flea Markets & Sidewalk Sales:

(1) Sales by homeowners/residents on private property (see garage and yard sales).

2) Flea markets, craft, artist or baked goods sales as part of a temporary carnival or fair, or as a separate function, may be permitted (see Carnivals aforementioned) provided that it is a charitable function and that there are no fees being charged for the exhibition of merchandise.

(3) Commercial flea markets in residential zones including sales for non-charitable purposes, sales where there is a fee charged to exhibit, and sales at locations other than those listed (see Carnivals aforementioned) are not permitted, unless:

a) in the judgement of the Zoning Commissioner, the use could be permitted as an adjunct to a principal use permitted by right or by special exception,

(b) and that in either case, that a special hearing or special exception be petitioned for and successfully obtained prior to any zoning approvals. (see the following case: 74-36-X).

(4) Charitable flea markets, with no exhibition fee, at locations not listed (see Carnivals aforementioned) may be approved with restrictions as part of a notarized letter of intent or a special hearing before the Zoning Commissioner."

The only section of the policy manual that deals with a commercial flea market, which is the type of operation the Petitioner has, is subparagraph 3 set forth above. However, this section deals with commercial flea markets in residential zones, whereas, the Petitioner's property is

to flea markets in commercial zones. It is clear that the B.C.Z.R. and Zoning Commissioner's Policy Manual do not permit a flea market in a B.M. zone in that a flea market is not specifically listed or in any way associated with a B.M. zone. The

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zoned B.M. Therefore, this section of the policy manual is not applicable

Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) are written in the affirmative. A use that is not explicitly stated or listed as permitted by special exception, or as a matter of right, is prohibited. Kowalski v. Lamar, 25 Md. App. 493, 498 (1975) (ruling that "{a}ny use other than those permitted and being carried on as a matter of right or by special exception is prohibited"); see also Town of Harvard v. Maxan, 275 N.E. 2d 347, 349-50 (Mass. 1971); Williams v. City of Bloomington, McLean County, 247 N.E. 2d 446, 449-50 (III. App. 1969); Samsa v. Heck, 234 N.E. 2d 312, 315-16 (Ohio App. 1967); Gada v. Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of East Lyme, 193 A.2d 502, 503 (Conn. 1963); Gordon v. Zoning Board of the City of Stamford, 145 A.2d 746, 750 (Conn. 1958); Silver v. Zoning Board of Adjustment, 112 A.2d 84, 86-87 (Penn. 1955).

For the foregoing reasons, I find that the operation of this particular outdoor commercial flea market in a B.M. zone is not a permitted use pursuant to the B.C.Z.R. and the Zoning Commissioner's Policy Manual.

The Petitioner also requested that a ruling be made as to whether this type of sales operation would be permitted to take place indoors in the space currently leased at the shopping center.

In accordance with the definition previously stated, a flea market must take place outdoors. Moving the sales tables completely indoors in the space leased by Petitioner will change that use from a flea market to a multiplicity of retail uses. It is the Deputy Zoning Commissioner's opinion that once the sales uses are moved entirely within an enclosed building, they will then become nothing more than a simple retail use which is permitted in the B.M. zone.

The attorneys for the Protestants, Mr. Alderman, and Mr. DiNenna, requested that I order the Petitioner to cease the operation of the outdoor flea market immediately. While I find as a fact that the Petitioner's current operation of an outdoor flea market on the parking lot is not a permitted use in the B.M. zone, I cannot find any authority in the B.C.Z.R. which would permit me to order the immediate cessation of said outdoor flea market operation. The Petitioner merely petitioned for a Special Hearing to determine whether or not the Deputy Zoning Commissioner should approve the operation of an outdoor commercial flea market in a commercial zone and amended that request for a determination as to whether the use would be permitted indoors. I can find no authority that would allow me to exceed that which was specifically requested in the Petition.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested should be denied.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this day of August, 1991 that the Petition for Special Hearing to approve the operation of an outdoor commercial flea market in a commercial zone on Saturdays and Sundays from 6:00 AM to 4:00 PM and as an accessory use to an existing adjacent indoor retail business, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby DENIED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petitioner's operation of an outdoor commercial flea market is not a permitted use in a B.M. zone, so long as that use is conducted outside and not within a fully enclosed building. The Petitioner is permitted to allow these retail sales within its leased building, but there shall be no outside sales taking place whatsoever, not even as an accessory or incidental use to the indoor sales.

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ORDERED By The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this required by the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation throughout Baltimore County, that property be posted, and that the public hearing be had before the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County in Room 106. County Office Building in Towson, Baltimore

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PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY: 91-461-5PH

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, to determine whe-Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Baitimore County Zoning Acquainting, the Section 500.7 of the Baitimore County Zoning Commissioner should approve there or not the Zoning Commissioner and or Deputy Zoning Commissioner should approve

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really grown and that trash and traffic problems have increased tremendous-

ly. Ms. Potyraj introduced four photographs, marked Protestant's Exhibits

2A through 2D, depicting the trash scattered about the adjacent community

which she testified is a result of the operation of the subject flea mar-

ket. She further testified that the patrons of the flea market, not being

able to find suitable parking on the parking lot which is full, then park

on adjoining Old North Point Road and other residential streets in the

immediate vicinity. She testified that patrons often block her driveway

thus preventing her access to her own property and that there have been

a definition of "flea market". However, the regulations do state that

"any word or term not defined in this section shall have the ordinarily

accepted definition as set forth in the most recent edition of Webster's

Third New International Dictionary of the English Language, Unabridged.

The definition of a flea market as it is contained in the Webster's Dictio-

"An outdoor market at which antiques and second-hand

articles (as furniture, pottery or jewelry) are sold

Based upon the testimony and evidence presented by Mr. Miller, I find as a

fact that the operation taking place outside his store on the parking lot,

Exhibit 1, is that of a flea market as that term is defined in Webster's

zone and simply do not address this particular type of use. While the

B.C.Z.R. do not address flea markets, the Zoning Commissioner's Policy

in the area of the site plan marked with red cross marks on Petitioner's

The B.C.Z.R. do not provide for the use of a flea market in any

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nary previously referred to is as follows:

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City and State

Attorney for Petitioner:

(Type of Print Name)

600 Washington Avenue

(Type or Print Name)

especially from parked vehicles."

The Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) do not provide

numerous accidents due to traffic congestion caused by the flea market.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of the above Special Hearing advertising, posting, etc., upon fil-

ing of this Petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restric-

tions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. I We do solemnly declare and affirm. under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property

which is the subject of this Petition. Legal Owner(s):

Miller Real Estate Company (Type or Print Name) \sim Signature

-----Alvin Miller, President (Type or Print Name)

Signature Kenneth J. Sperce, III and Gary C. Duvall P. O. Box 21545

Baltimore, MD 21208 City and State Name, address and phone number of legal owner, con-

tract purchaser or representative to be contacted Alvin Miller Name P. O. Box 21545

Attorney's Telephone No.: _823-8250 Baltimore, MD 21208 653-8097

.____, 19_22, that the subject matter of this petition be advertised, as

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The operation of an outdoor commercial flea market in a commercial zone on Saturdays and Sundays from 6 o'clock a.m. to 4 o'clock p.m., which is an accessory use to an existing adjacent indoor retail business.

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ZONING DESCRIPTION

Beginning at a point on the North side of OLD NORTH POINT BOULEVARD, which is 50 feet wide at a distance of 38 feet southeast of the centerline of WILLOW ROAD which is 50 feet wide. Thence the following courses and distances:

N.31 35' E. leaving the said Old North Point Boulevard north line and proceeding a distance of 794.96 feet to a point on the south line of North Point Boulevard (a 150' Right-Of-Way); S.58 05' E., along the said North Point Boulevard south line a distance of 550.00 feet; S. 31 35' W., leaving the said North Point Boulevard south line and proceeding a distance of 674.46 feet to a point on the said OLD NORTH POINT BOULEVARD north line;

Along the said OLD NORTH POINT BOULEVARD north line the following:

Along a curve to the left having a radius of 539.00 feet and a central angle of 0 52'52", an arc length of 8.29 feet to the end of said curve; N.80 26' W., 90.00 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right having a radius of 961.00 feet, a central angle of 17 38'00" and an arc length of 295.75 feet to the end of said curve; N.62 48' W. 173.24 feet to the place of beginning as recorded in Liber 8101 at Folio 712 of the deed records of Baltimore County. Containing 415,012 square feet or 9.5274 acres of land. Also known as 2401 North Point Boulevard and located in the 15th Election District.



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Being three tracts of land for zoning use and particularly described as follows:

Sales Area No. 1

Being at a point S. 62 48'E, 220 feet and N. 27 12'E, 100 feet from the centerline intersection of NORTH POINT BOULEVARD, which is 50 feet wide, with WILLOW ROAD, which is 50 feet wide. Thence the following courses and distances:

N 26 29'36"W, 37.93 feet; N. 20 30'00"E, 29.00 feet; N. 34 20'00"E, 142.50 feet; S. 55 40'00"E, 42.00 feet; S. 34 20'00"W, 25.00 feet; S. 55 40'00"E, 38.00 feet; N. 34 20'00"E, 25.00 feet; S. 55 40'00"E, 187.00 feet; S. 34 56'04"W, 141.21 feet; N. 76 00'00"W, 75.00 feet; N. 72 35'00"W, 65.00 feet; N. 57 30'00"W, 93.00 feet to the Place of Beginning and containing 45,478 square feet.

Sales Area No. 2

Beginning at a point S. 62 48 E, 220 feet and N. 27 12 E, 43 feet from the centerline intersection of NORTH POINT BOULEVARD, which is 50 feet side, with WILLOW ROAD, which is 50 feet wide. Thence the following courses and distances:

N. 30 35'00" E, 20.00 feet; S. 59 25'00" E, 44.70 feet; S. 66 50'00" E, 45.71 feet; S. 72 30'00" E, 156.01 feet; S. 17 30'00" W, 20.00 feet; N. 72 30'00" W, 157.00 feet; N. 66 50'00" W, 48.00 feet; N. 59 25'00" W, 46.00 feet to the Place of Beginning and containing 4974 square feet.

Sales Area No. 3

Beginning at a point S. 62 48'E, 462 feet and N. 27 12'E 98 feet from the centerline intersection of NORTH POINT BOULEVARD, which is 50 feet wide, with WILLOW ROAD, which is 50 feet wide. Thence the following courses and distances:

N. 38 35'00"E, 109.00 feet; S. 51 25'00"E, 14.00 feet; S. 38 35'00" W, 109.00 feet, N. 51 25'00" W 14.00 feet to the Place of Beginning and containing 1526 square feet.

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In all containing 51,978 square feet and being a part of Parcel 115 as recorded in Liber 8101 at Folio 712 of the deed records of Baltimore County. Also known as 2401 North Point Boulevard and located in the 15th Election District.



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ZONING DESCRIPTION TO ACCOMPANY SPECIAL HEARING FOR PETITION 2401 NORTH POINT BOULEVARD

Beginning at a point S.58 25'E., 176.00 feet and N. 31 35'E., 305.00 feet from the centerline intersection of Old North point Boulevard, which is 50 feet wide, with Willow Road, which is 50 feet wide. Thence the following courses and distances:

N. 34 20'00"E, along the existing exterior wall, 170.50 feet; S. 55 40'00"E., along an existing interior partition, 136.25 S. 55 40'00"E., along an existing interior partition, 130.23 feet; N. 34 20'00"E., along an existing interior partition 75.50 feet; S. 55 40'00"E., along an existing interior partition, 130.00 feet; S. 34 20'00"W., along and existing interior partition, 26.00 feet; S. 55 40'00"E., along an interior partition, 26.00 feet; S. 55 40'00"E., along an existing interior partition, 19.75 feet; along the existing existing interior partition, 26.00 feet; S. 55 40'00"E. existing interior partition, tourses and distances, viz: 8.34 exterior walls the following courses and distances, viz: 8.34 exterior wails the rollowing courses and distances, viz: 8.34 20'00"W., 73.50 feet; S. 27 03'22"E., 25.06 feet; S. 34 20'00"W., 15.00 feet; N. 55 40'00"W., 22.00 feet; S. 34 20'00"W., 119.50 feet; N. 55 40'00"W., 286.00 feet to the PLACE OF BEGINNING and containing 60,018 square feet.

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L ROBERT EVANS HARRIS JAMES GEORGE August 1, 1991 BENJAMIN BRONSTEIN

MICHAEL J CHOMEL DOUGLAS A STUBBS Arnold Jablon, Esquire County Attorney Law Office Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue

Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: 2401 North Point Boulevard

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Dear Mr. Jablon:

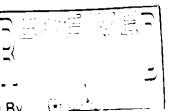
As you know, a special hearing has been scheduled in Case No.: 91-461SPH on Wednesday, August 7, 1991 at 9:00 a.m. relating to the operation of a commercial flea market at 2401 Old North Point Boulevard. My client intends to cease the exterior operation no later than October 30, 1991. My client would like to process an interior alteration permit pending the final order of the Zoning Commissioner in order to complete its improvements to the interior in a timely and expeditious fashion. Please confirm that Baltimore County will permit the processing of an interior alteration permit subject to the final order of the Zoning Commissioner.

Very truly yours,

EVANS, GEORGE AND BRONSTEIN

Benjamin Bronstein

August _____, 1991 On behalf of Baltimore County, I hereby confirm that you are authorized to process an interior alteration permit for the property known as 2401 North Point Boulevard. However, such permit shall not be issued until the approval of an order of the Zoning



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Commissioner for Baltimore County in Case No.: 91-461SPH.

Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management Office of Planning & Zoning 111 West Chesapeake Avenue 447 3353 Towson, MD 2120 c Miller Real Estate Company p. o. Box 21545 Baltimore, Maryland 21208 Case Number: 91-461-SPH N/S old North Point Road, 38' SE of Willow Road 2401 Old North Point Boulevard 12th Election District - 7th Councilmanic Petitioner(s): Miller Real Estate Company HEARING: WEINESDAY, AUGUST 1, 1991 Dear Petitioner(s): Please be advised that \$ 12 F F is due for advertising and posting of the above captioned THIS FEE MUST BE PAID AND THE ZONING SIGN & POST SET(S) RETURNED ON THE DAY OF THE HEARING OR THE ORDER SHALL NOT ISSUE. DO NOT REMOVE THE SIGN & POST SET(S) FROM THE PROPERTY UNTIL THE DAY OF THE HEARING. Please make your check payable to Baltimore County, Maryland. Bring the check and the sign & post set(s) to the Zoning Office, County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Room 113, Towson, Maryland fifteen (15) minutes before your hearing is scheduled to begin. BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND co: Spence and Duvall

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NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, located at 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

Case Number: 91-461-SPH
N/S Old North Point Road.
36' SE of Willow Road
2401 North Point Boulevard
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Petitioner(s):
Miller Real Estate Com-

pany Hearing Date: Wednesday, August 7, 1991 at 9:00 a m.

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CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

TOWSON, MD., _____, 19____ THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was published in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., once in each of ____ successive weeks, the first publication appearing on ______, 19 ____.

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LAW OFFICES PRELLER AND PRELLER

SUITE 302 IO2 W PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE Towson, Maryland 21204 4529

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June 28, 1991

Mr. John D. Lewis Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21264 North Point Plaza Shopping Center Reference: 2317 North Point Boulevard 15th Election District

Dear Mr. Lewis:

DAVID J PRELLER

DAVID J PRELLER JR. JANE JENSEN GERBES JAMES R. LUPINEK

PADMITTED IN D. C. AND MD.

As you are aware, I represent Mr. Seigel and Mr. Bond, the owners of the property adjacent to the property of Mr. Miller.

It is my understanding that Miller Real Estate Co. has petitioned this County to allow the operation of a flea market on its property for Saturdays and Sundays. (Attached is a copy of the Petition that was forwarded to me)

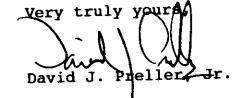
This letter is to put you on Notice that my clients oppose the operation of the flea market, and would request that this Petition be dismissed. Further, if there is any cooperation that you need from my clients regarding the termination of this flea market, please notify me immediately.

I note that in the past, Notices or letters to my clients have been sent to 300 East Joppa Road, Towson, Maryland. My clients has moved from that location, and I would ask that all further correspondence to my clients be directed through this office.

Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated, and I look forward to hearing from you regarding the County's position.

Baltimore County Government

Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management



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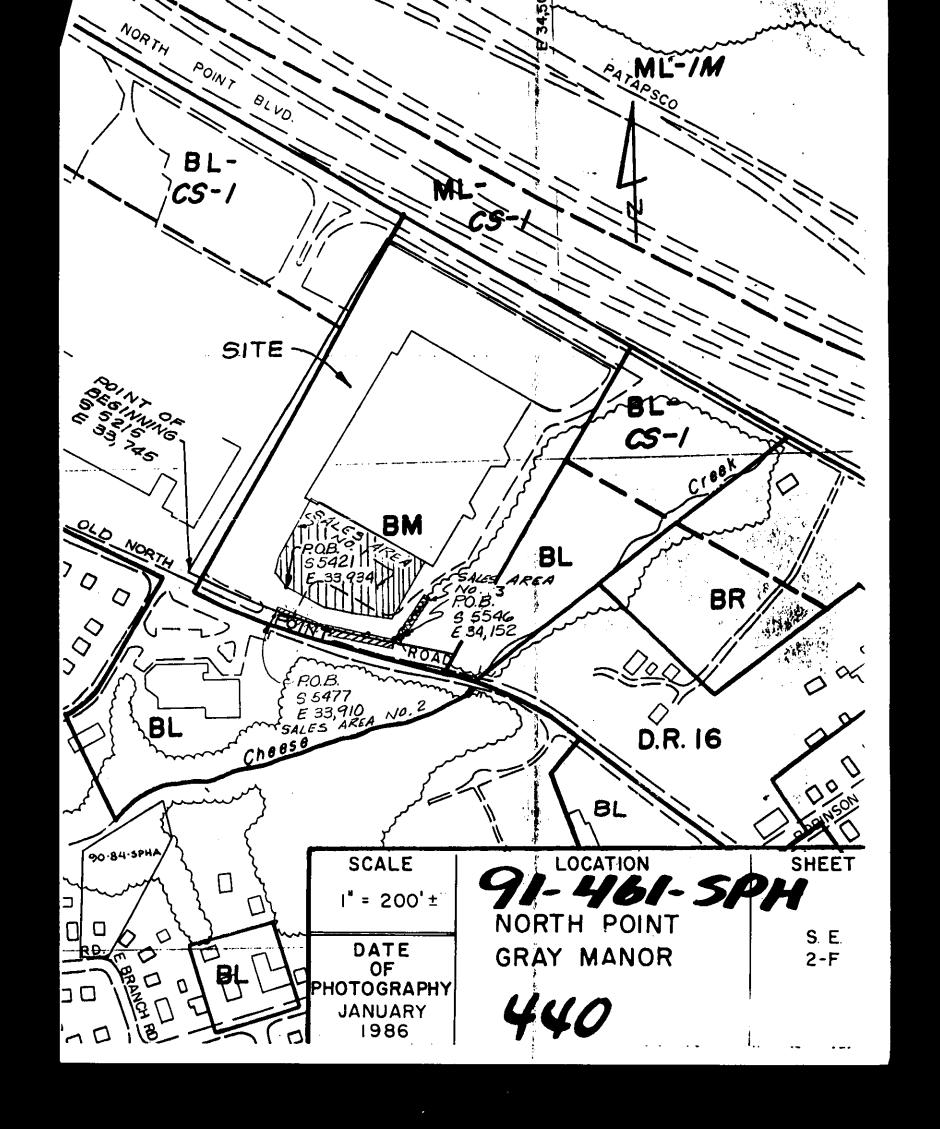
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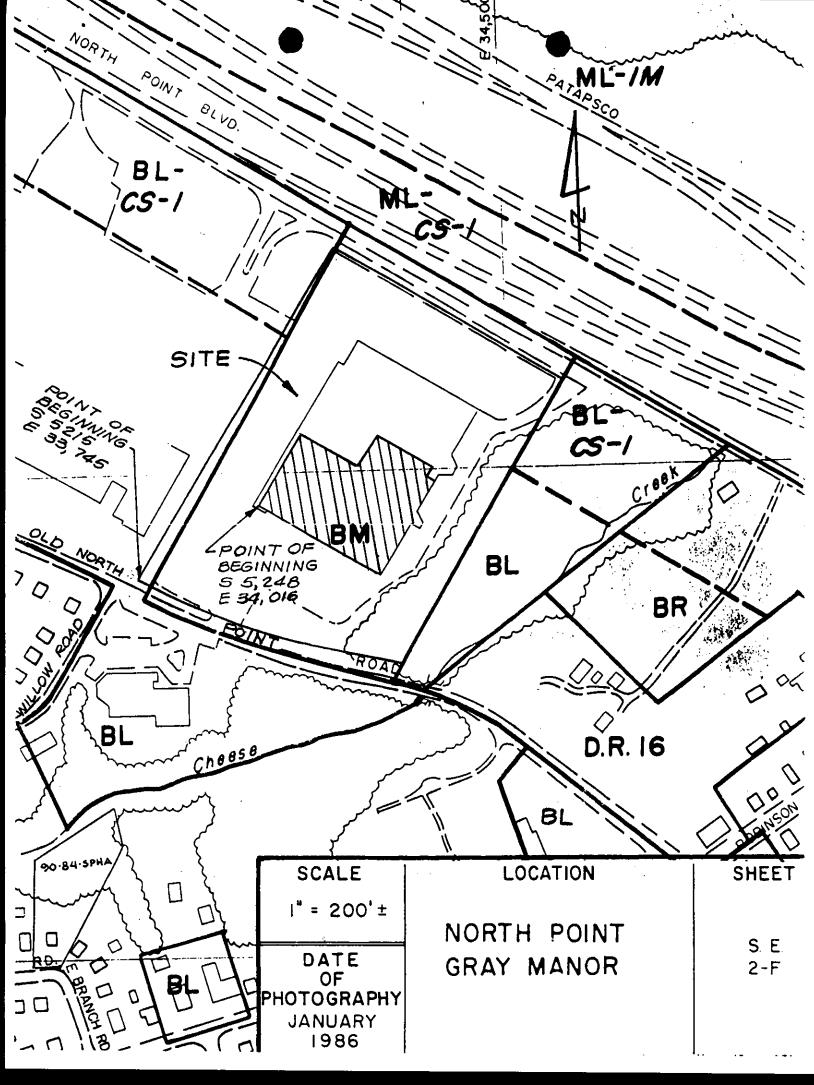
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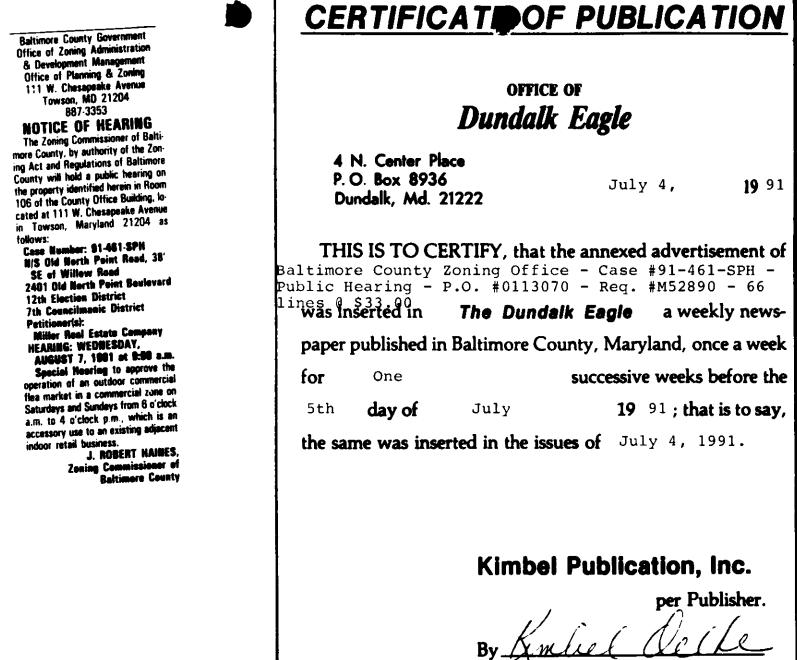


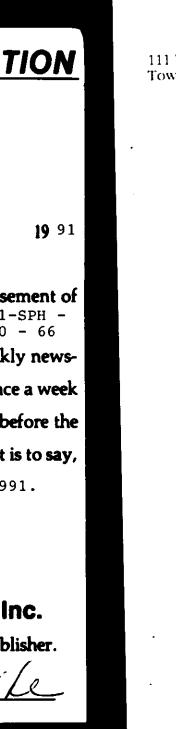
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J. Robert Springs Zoning Commissioner of

cc: Miller Real Estate Company Kenneth F. Spence, III, Esq. Gary C. Duvall, Esq.





Enclosures

cc: Mr. Alvin Miller

P.O. Box 21545 Baltimore, MD 21208

Miller Real Estate Company

Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management Office of Planning & Zoning 111 West Chesapeake Avenue 887-3353 Towson, MD 21204 July 31, 1991 Kenneth F. Spence, Esquire 600 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204 RE: Item No. 440, Case No. 91-461-SPH Petitioner: Miller Real Estate, et al Petition for Special Hearing Dear Mr. Spence: The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The following comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the development plans that may have a bearing on this case. Director of Planning may file a written report with the Zoning Commissioner with recommendations as to the suitability of the requested zoning. Enclosed are all comments submitted from the members of the Committee at this time that offer or request information on your petition. If similar comments from the remaining members are received, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a hearing scheduled accordingly. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF YOU WOULD RETURN YOUR WRITTEN COMMENTS TO MY OFFICE, ATTENTION JULIE WINIARSKI. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS, PLEASE CONTACT HER AT 887-3391. <u>V</u>ery truly yours, JAMES E. DYER Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

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Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this 17th day of June, 1991.

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Received By:

Zofring Plans Advisory Committee

Petitioner: Miller Real Estate Company Petitioner's Attorney: Kenneth F. Spence

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Zoning Advisory Committee DATE: June 3, 1991

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for May 28, 1991

FROM: Robert W. Bowling, P.E.

The Developers Engineering Division has reviewed the subject zoning items and we have no comments for Items 427, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437 and 440.

For Item 397, a revised County Review Group Meeting is required.

For Case #R-91-113, a County Review Group Meeting is required prior to development of this site.

For Item 438, a County Review Group Meeting is

required. Kolenty Bowling

Robert W. Bowling, F.E., Chief, Developers Engineering Division

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Arnold Jablon, Director Zoning Administration and DATE: July 31, 1991

Pat Keller, Deputy Director Office of Planning and Zoning

Development Management

SUBJECT: Miller Real Estate Company, Item No. 440

In reference to the petitioner's request, staff offers the following comments:

Due to the proximity in an existing residential neighborhood, this office recommends the following conditions be attached should the applicant's request be granted.

- The hours of operation should be limited to between 8:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

- Prior to final approval the applicant shall file a landscape plan with the deputy director of the Office of Planning and Zoning. Said plan shall include the provision of street trees along Old North Point Boulevard.

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3211.

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LAW OFFICES EVANS. GEORGE AND BRONSTEIN SUSQUEHANNA BUILDING, SUITE 205 29 WEST SUSQUEHANNA AVENUE TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204 (301) 296-0200

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FAX: (301) 296-3719 August 1, 1991 L ROBERT EVANS HARRIS JAMES GEORGE

BENJAMIN BRONSTEIN MICHAEL J. CHOMEL DOUGLAS A. STUBBS

Arnold Jablon, Esquire County Attorney Law Office Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: 2401 North Point Boulevard

Dear Mr. Jablon:

As you know, a special hearing has been scheduled in Case No.: 91-461SPH on Wednesday, August 7, 1991 at 9:00 a.m. relating to the operation of a commercial flea market at 2401 Old North Point Boulevard. My client intends to cease the exterior operation no later than October 30, 1991. My client would like to process an interior alteration permit pending the final order of the Zoning Commissioner in order to complete its improvements to the interior in a timely and expeditious fashion. Please confirm that Baltimore in a timely and expeditious fashion. County will permit the processing of an interior alteration permit subject to the final order of the Zoning Commissioner.

Very truly yours,

EVANS, GEORGE AND BRONSTEIN

Benjamin Bronstein

BB/mlh August _____, 1991

On behalf of Baltimore County, I hereby confirm that you are authorized to process an interior alteration permit for the property known as 2401 North Point Boulevard. However, such permit property known as 2401 North Point Boulevard. However, such permit shall not be issued until the approval of an order of the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County in Case No.: 91-461SPH.

Baltimore County Zoning & Development

BUREAU OF TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

DATE: May 30, 1991

Mr. J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner

Rahee J. Famili SUBJECT: Z.A.C. Comments

Z.A.C. MEETING DATE: May 28, 1991

This office has no comments for items number 427, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438 and 440.

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THIS INDENTURE made this 9th day of April, 1962 by and

between AZTEC TRADING CCRPCRATION, a New York corporation

having its principal office at 30 East 42nd Street, New York,

P. Y., (hereinafter referred to as "Aztoo"), BARCH ASSOCIATES,

T.C., a New York ocrporation having its principal office at

30 East 42nd Stroot, New York, N. Y., (hereinafter referred

to as "Baron") and CCUDOR SHIPPING CO., INC., a New Jorsey

New York, N. Y., (hereinafter referred to as "Condor"),

WITNESSETH:

to as "Parcel A" and more fully described as follows:

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of Baltimore County, State of Maryland, hereinafter referred,

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corporation having its principal office at 30 East 42nd Street,

WHEREAS, Aztec is the owner of certain real property

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700 East Joppa Road, Suite 901 Towson, MD 2120+5500

JUNE 4, 1993

J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Toping Paltimore County Office Building Towson, MD 21204

PF: Property Owner: MILLER REAL ESTATE COMPANY

#2401 NORTH POINT ROULEVARD Location:

Item No.: 440 Zoning Agenda: MAY 28, 1991

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

7. The Fire Prevention Bureau has no comments at this time.

REVIEWER: Approved Fire Prevention Eureau Special Inspection Division

Baltimore County Government

Fire Department

JK/KEK

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 2120+

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Kenneth F. Spence, III, Esquire Miles & Stockbridge 600 Washington Avenue, Suite 300 Towson, Maryland 21204

Benjamin Bronstein, Esquire 23 W. Susquehanna Avenue, Suite 205 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING N/S Old North Point Road, 38' SE of Willow Road (2401 North Point Boulevard) 12th Election District - 7th Councilmanic District Miller Real Estate Company - Fetitioner

Dear Messrs. Spence and Duvall:

above-captioned matter. The Petition for Special Hearing has been denied in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact Ms. Charlotte Radcliffe at 887-3391.

> Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

TMK:bjs

co: Gary C. Duvall, Esquire 600 Washington Avenue, Suite 300, Towson, Md. 21204 Howard L. Alderman, Jr., Esquire

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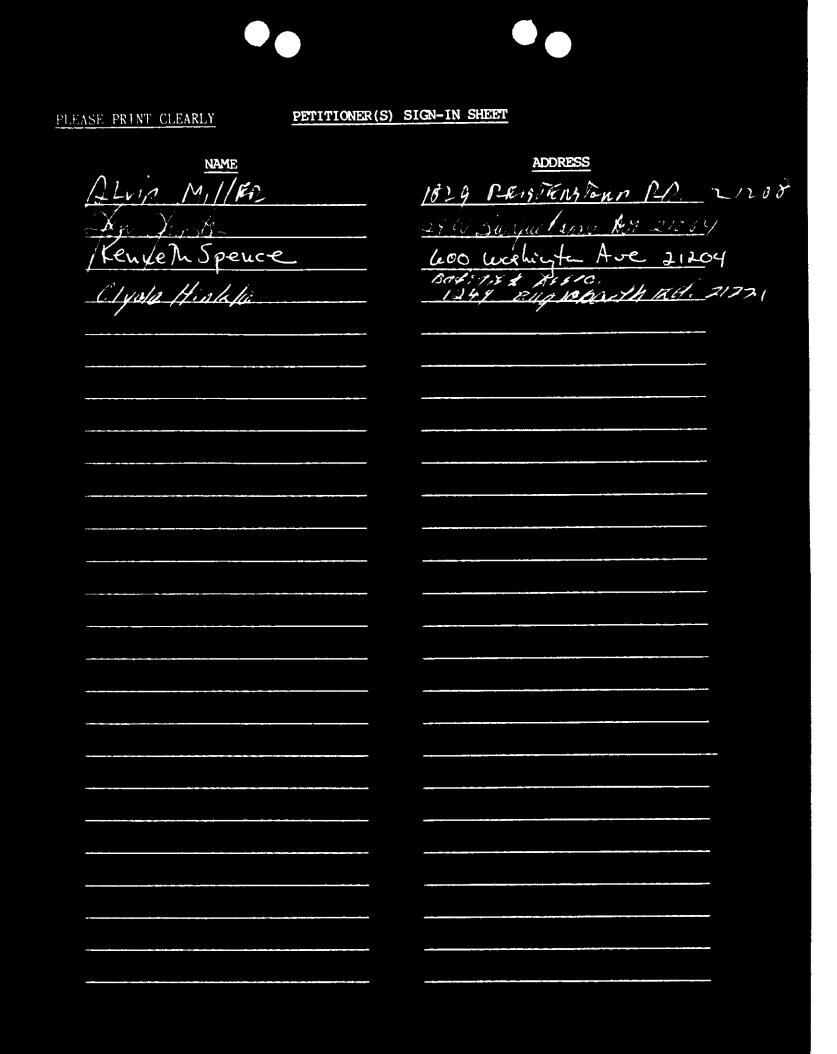
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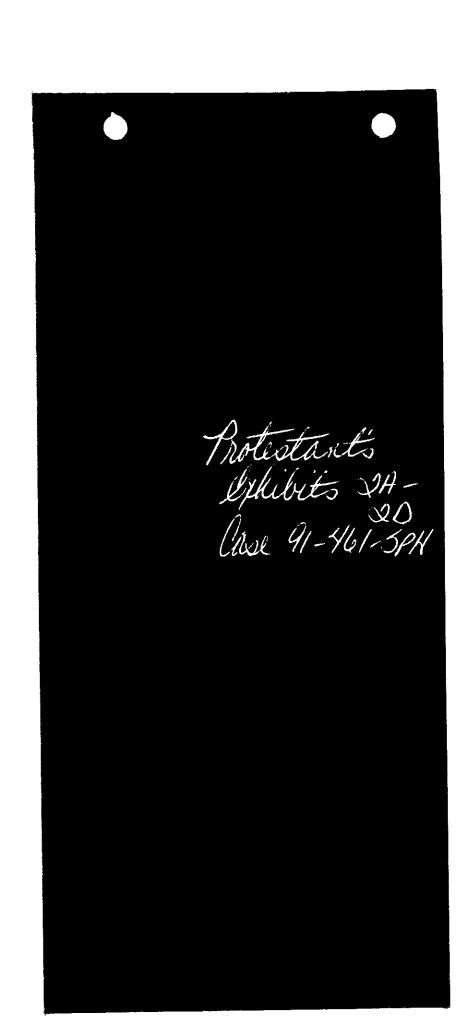
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Very truly yours,

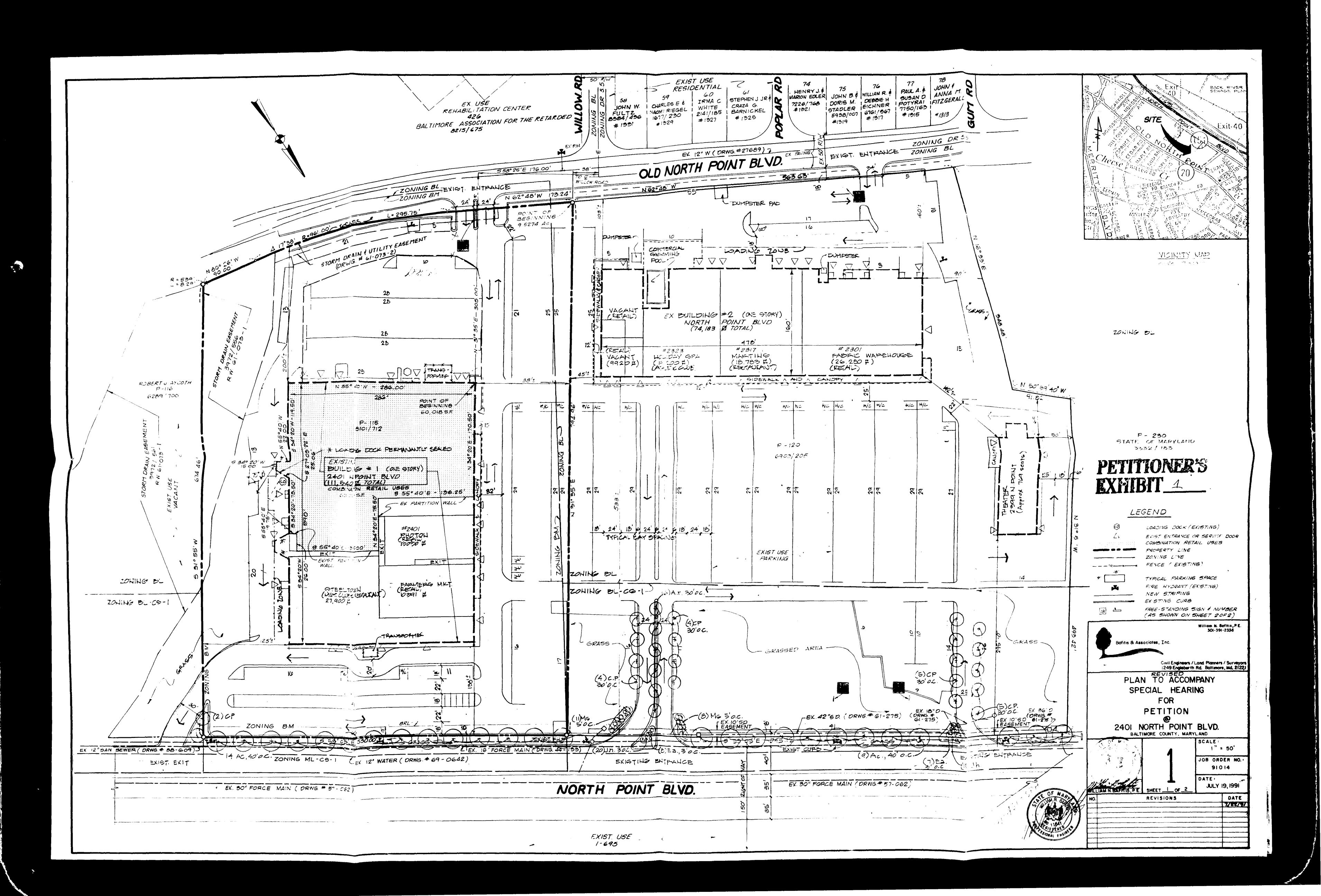


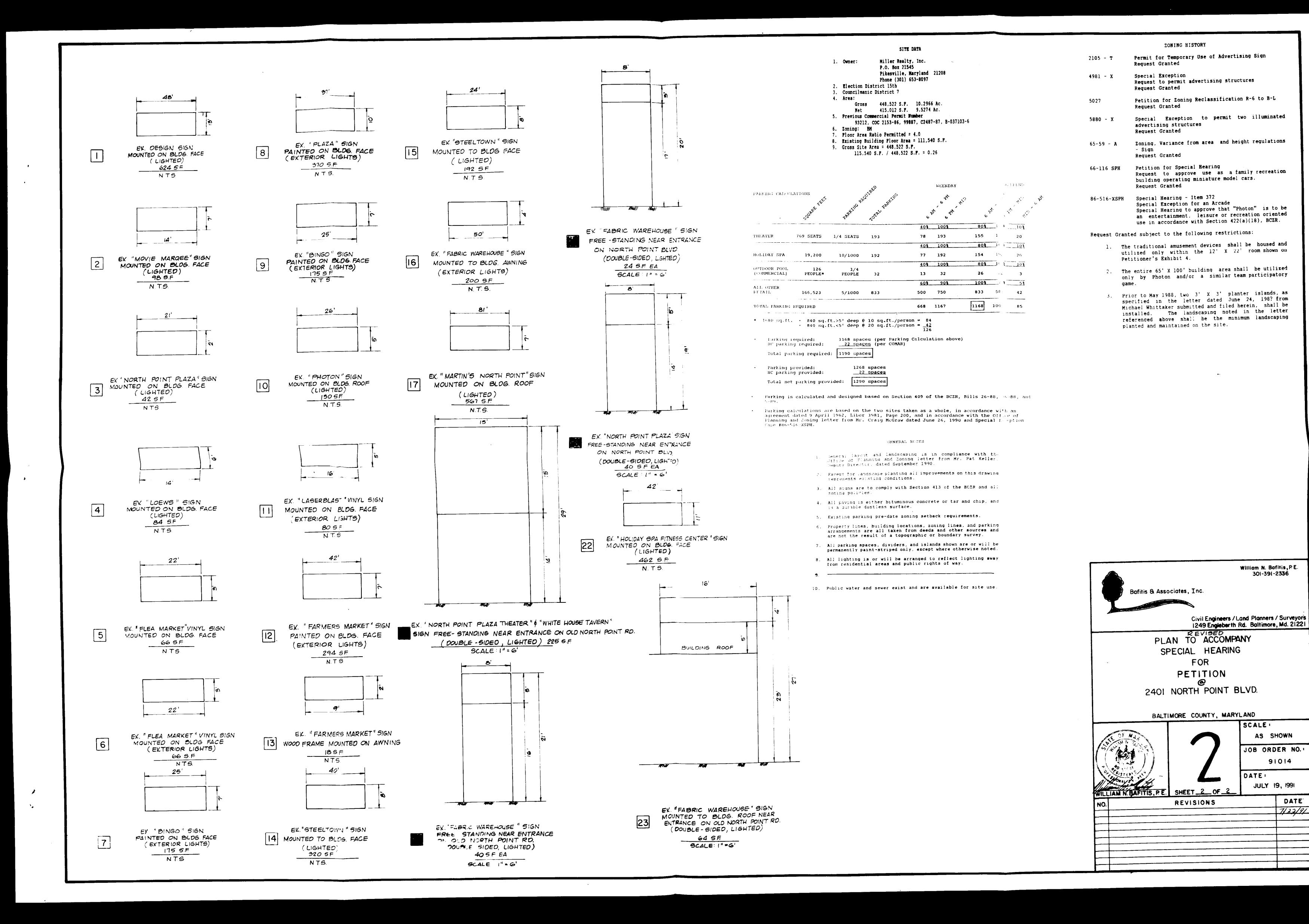
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hearby petition to stop the outdoor flea market held at the east end of the North Point Plaza shopping center. This flea market is the cause of much consternation	
to the entire community. There is an abundance of trash, traffic, parking	
problems and general unsightliness that is directly related to the operation of	
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The residents of this community have dealt with these problems for years	
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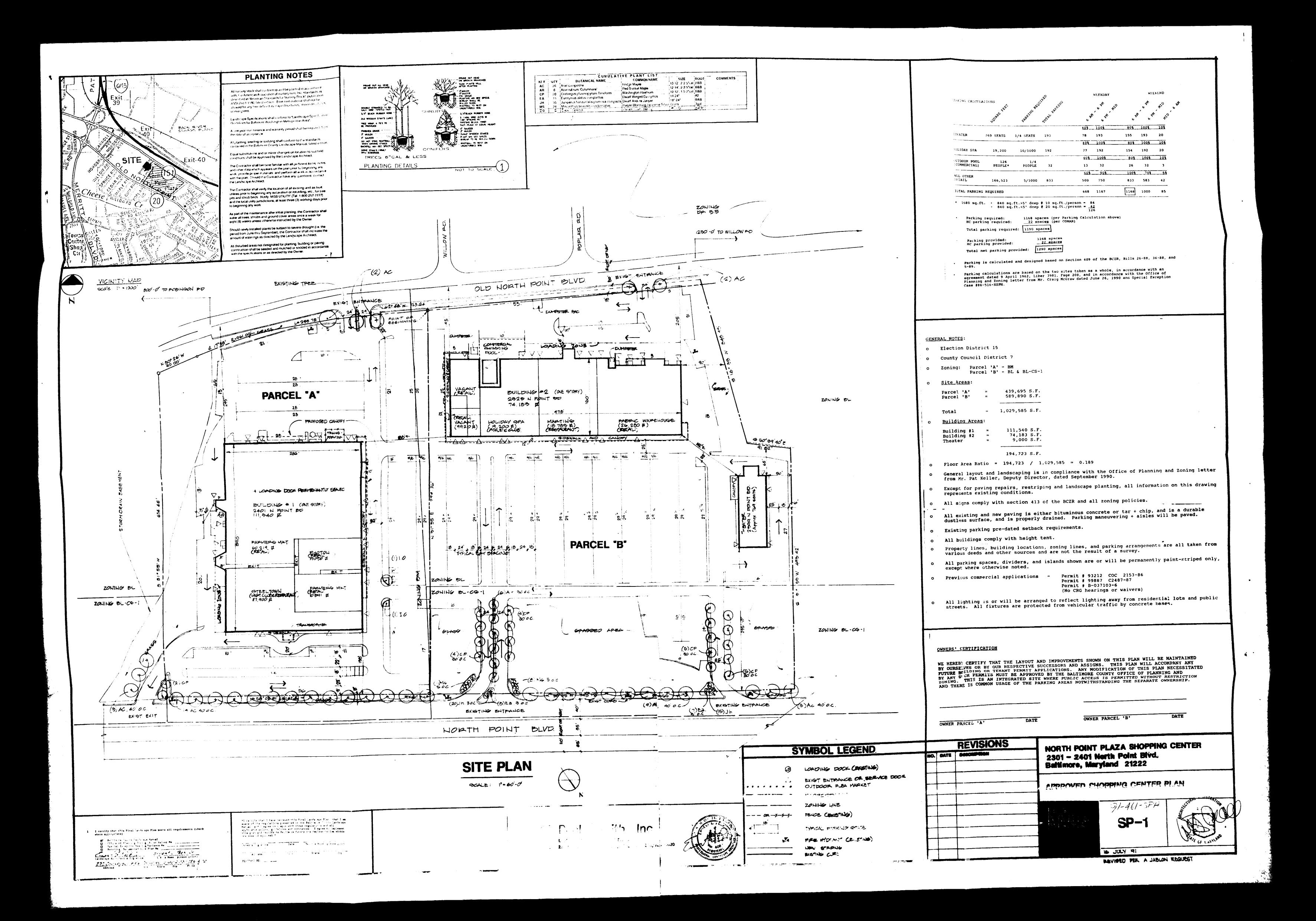


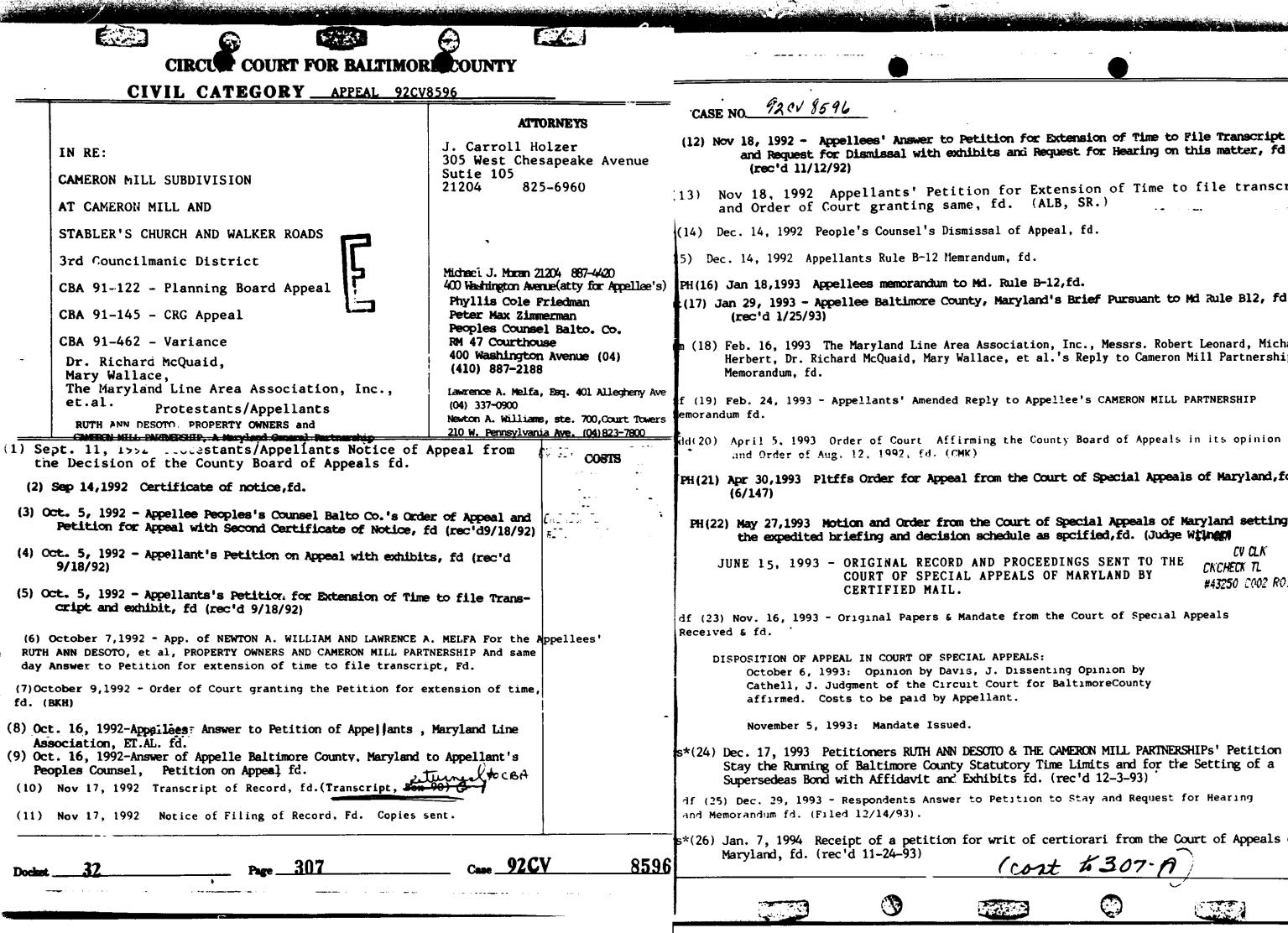






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This is an appeal from the Circuit Court for Baltimore County, affirming the decisions of the County Board of Zoning Appeals, which had (1) affirmed the recommendations of the Planning Board regarding preservation of structures and sites characterized as "historic," (2) affirmed the decision of the County's deputy zoning commissioner granting variances from certain county zoning restrictions, and (3) affirmed the decision of the Baltimore County Review Group (CRG), which determined that the developers' plan of development complied with the requirements of Title 26, § 26-203 of the Baltimore County Code (B.C.C.).

The appeal of Maryland Line Area Association, Inc., Robert Leonard, Michael Herbert, Dr. Richard McQuaid, and Mary Wallace (adjoining property owners) presents the following issues, which we have consolidated for clarity:

- 1. Whether a direct appeal lies to the Board of Appeals from a decision of the Planning Board on an issue submitted to it by the CRG pursuant to Title 26, Section 26-207(a)(4).
- Whether the Board of Appeals erred by not finding the decision of the Planning Board arbitrary or capricious, procured by fraud, or illegal.
- Whether the Board of Appeals erred by not finding the action of the CRG arbitrary, capricious, procured by fraud, or illegal because the CRG did not impose the more stringent controls applicable to prime and productive soils under Bill 134-89.
- Whether the offsite or onsite contamination of individual water supplies is an issue that is within the jurisdiction of the CRG to consider.
- 5. Whether the record supports the factual findings of the Board of Appeals that:

and Request for Dismissal with exhibits and Request for Hearing on this matter, fd (13) Nov 18, 1992 Appellants' Petition for Extension of Time to file transcript (17) Jan 29, 1993 - Appellee Baltimore County, Maryland's Brief Pursuant to Md Rule Bl2, fd (18) Feb. 16, 1993 The Maryland Line Area Association, Inc., Messrs. Robert Leonard, Michael Herbert, Dr. Richard McQuaid, Mary Wallace, et al.'s Reply to Cameron Mill Partnership (19) Feb. 24, 1993 - Appellants' Amended Reply to Appellee's CAMERON MILL PARTNERSHIP K(20) April 5, 1993 Order of Court Affirming the County Board of Appeals in its opinion PH(21) Apr 30,1993 Pltffs Order for Appeal from the Court of Special Appeals of Maryland,fd PH(22) May 27,1993 Motion and Order from the Court of Special Appeals of Maryland setting the expedited briefing and decision schedule as spcified, fd. (Judge Wilner) CKCHECK TL #43250 C002 R01 T14122 df (23) Nov. 16, 1993 - Original Papers & Mandate from the Court of Special Appeals s*(24) Dec. 17, 1993 Petitioners RUTH ANN DESOTO & THE CAMERON MILL PARTNERSHIPs' Petition to Stay the Running of Baltimore County Statutory Time Limits and for the Setting of a (25) Dec. 29, 1993 - Respondents Answer to Petition to Stay and Request for Hearing s*(26) Jan. 7, 1994 Receipt of a petition for writ of certiorari from the Court of Appeals of

> the Parkton landfill is neither the source of contamination nor a potential source of contamination to the private water supply of the subdivision and

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the design and siting of the individual septic systems do not constitute a threat of contamination to the private wells in the

subdivision. 6. Whether the record establishes that the

developers are entitled to a variance from the 300-foot diametral requirement.

FACTS

Appellee Cameron Mill is a developer of a proposed subdivision in northern Baltimore County, west of Interstate 83 and approximately one mile west of the Parkton Landfill. The site lies above the Pretty Boy schist geologic formation and consists of approximately 276 acres of land zoned RC4 and RC5, the majority having the RC4 designation. A subdivision of fifty-three lots was originally proposed, fifty-one of which were new lots and two were existing lots occupied by the historic Cameron Mill site and the existing home of the original owner.

The Cameron Miller's house is a two-and-one-half story stone house from the colonial era situated on the hillside with a spring house in its front yard. The stone buildings are on the northeast side of Cameron Mill Road to the northwest of its junction with Walker Road. Some mill foundations and ruins are opposite the houses across the road at the southwest corner of Walker Road and Cameron Mill Road.

*PH(27) Peb 2,1994 Rec'd 1/21/94 Reply of Ruth Ann DeSoto and the Cameron Mill Parthership o answer to Petition to stay and request for hearing,fd. *df (28) reb. 7, 1994 - Notice from the Court of Appeals that the Writ of Certiorari is DENIED fd. (R.C.M.). (Filed 1/24/94). ps (29) Tebruary 4, 1994 Order of Court EXTENDING Cameron Mill project's time for a period 2 years and 4 monthes from Jan. 12, 1994 to and including May 12, 1996 and DENYING iling of Supersedeas Bond, etc., fd. (CMK) TRANSCRIPT AN BASEMENT 92CV 8586 PAGE 307-A OOCKET 32

The Cameron Miller's House is listed on the county's "Final Landmarks List, " The Executive Secretary of the county's Landmarks Preservation Commission (the Commission), John McGrain, the author of the filings that were submitted in connection with the house, testified that the inventory "mentioned only the house as a significant element." He indicated further that the Commission was primarily interested in the house.

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Because of the presence of the listed historic structure, the CRG referred the subdivision plan to the Planning Board. Subsequent to the referral, appellees proposed a minor subdivision that split the lots containing the house and mill ruins from the larger development site.

The Planning Board recommended that the lot upon which the house was situated be enlarged to 5.6 acres and that the cemetery be protected with a perpetual access easement. The Board also decreased the right-of-way of Cameron Mill/Stapler Church Road from 60 feet in width to 45 feet in width in the area of the historic lot and moved it away from the two historic buildings. The 45 foot right-of-way encroaches upon some of the mill ruins. In its meeting of March 14, 1991, the CRG incorporated the Planning Board's recommendations and approved the development plan.

The Little Falls and the Bee Tree Run are two major streams that run through the property. The topography is very steep, and there are large areas of tree cover that leave only 60 acres of the 276-acre tract available for development. Under the CRG plan, 169.4 acres, or 61.3 percent of the site, is designated as open

10/06/93 -CSA AFFIRMED Circuit Court which AFFIRMED the Board. Dissent by Judge Cathell. UNREPORTED HODE DECISION APPEALL FROM PIB to SIA IN THE COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS De coro de cinitad VS CILLICATORHAGE VANIHACEL - PRACTICAL No. 584 September Term, 1993 MARYLAND LINE AREA ASSOCIATION, INC. OFFICE OF LAW RUTH ANN DESOTO, ET AL. CBA-91-122 /CBA-91-145/ 91-462-A Wenner, Cathell, Davis, Opinion by Davis, J. Dissenting Opinion by Cathell, J. Filed: October 6, 1993 ZADM

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space. This open space includes the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) area next to the hike and bike trail (the former right-of-way of the Northern Central Railroad), the County Recreation and Parks areas, the homeowners' association areas, and County protected forest buffers areas. Of the entire site, 6.8 acres are to be placed in an impervious area.

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Sixty acres of the 276 acres are presently cultivated, and another 40 acres exist as meadow and open land. Although not designated as an agricultural preservation area on the master plan, the existing meadow and open land are placed in a Resource Conservation classification.

Appellees applied for variances from the Baltimore County zoning regulations, which require that the lots be not less than 300 feet in diameter. This request was made as to thirty-two of the fifty-one new lots. The variances were granted by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner on September 9, 1991.

Appellants appealed from the recommendation of the Planning Board directly to the County Board of Appeals in CBA Case No. 91-122, appealed from the CRG approval of the subdivision to the County Board of Appeals in CBA Case No. 91-145, and appealed from the granting of the variances by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner to the County Board of Appeals in CBA Case No. 91-462. The County Board of Appeals combined and took concurrent testimony on all three cases during the course of five days of hearings between October 8, 1991 and May 1, 1992.